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LITANY OF HUMILITY

O Jesus, meek and humble of heart, Hear me.

From the desire of being esteemed, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being loved, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being honored, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being praised, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being preferred to others, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being consulted, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being approved, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of being humiliated, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of being despised, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of suffering rebukes, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of being calumniated, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of being wronged, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of being suspected, *Deliver me, Jesus.*

That others may be loved more than I,
Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be esteemed more than I,
Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That in the opinion of the world,
others may increase, and I may decrease,
Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be chosen and I set aside,
Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be praised and I unnoticed,
Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be preferred to me in everything,
Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may become holier than I,
provided that I become as holy as I should,
Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.



Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 31, 2025

Our Mission:

St. Thérèse, Little Flower Parish exists to **rescue** people from the poverty of an identity outside of **Jesus**.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

4:30pm

Sunday

9:00am, 11:30am, 8:00pm

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday

8:30am

Saturday

8:00am

Eucharistic Adoration

Weekdays

5:00 am - 10:00 am

7:00pm-10:00pm

Saturday

8:30am - 9:30am

Adoration Chapel Hours

Monday-Friday 5:00am-10:00pm

Reconciliation Times

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

9:00am - 9:30am

Saturday

8:30am - 9:30am

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Mon - Tues 9:00am - 4:00pm

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Mass Intentions and Scripture Readings

Saturday, August 30

1 Thes 4:9-11, Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30

8:00am: Virginia Tamayo †

4:30pm: David Shock †

Sunday, August 31 | Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-19,
22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14

9:00am: St. Therese, Little Flower Parish Family

11:30am: Tommy & Matthew Cahir †

8:00pm: Ellen Emerick

Monday, September 1

1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13; Lk 4:16-30

8:30am: Greg Calhoun

Tuesday, September 2

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37

8:30am: Roger & Mary Lou Mawby †

Wednesday, September 3 | Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Col 1: 1-8; Ps 52: 10, 11; Lk 4:38-44

8:30am: David Shock †

Thursday, September 4

Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11

8:30am: Terry Freyer

Friday, September 5

Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 5:33-39

8:30am: Roger & Mary Lou Mawby †

Saturday, September 6

Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8; Lk 6:1-5

8:00am: Janet Navin †

4:30pm: Ely & Avic Bayot †

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.
Psalm 68:11

Catholic artist Timothy Schmalz has been putting sculptures of Christ the Beggar, Homeless Jesus, and other similar sculptures highlighting Jesus in the poor around the world. These sculptures feature a poor or homeless person in need waiting for help. We cannot see the face of the person, it is only when you look closely that you see the pierced hands or feet, showing that the person is Jesus.

Based on Matthew 25, these sculptures invite us to recognize Jesus in the most vulnerable people in our society. It is designed to challenge and inspire each of us to be more compassionate and charitable and to help end homelessness and poverty locally and around the world.

We recognize in today's psalm the love the Lord has for the poor and those in need. "The father of orphans and the defender of widows is God in his holy dwelling. God gives a home to the forsaken; he leads forth prisoners to prosperity." (Psalm 68:6-7) We remember the poverty of our Jewish ancestors as they wandered the desert with no security, relying solely on God to provide for them in all the basic necessities: clean water, bread, meat.

We are invited to rely on God to similarly provide for us. It may not seem so obvious how He provides when we are fortunate to have good-paying jobs and are able to purchase groceries and pay for clean drinking water. Yet, we are invited to still remain humble in our blessings and remember those who are not blessed in this way. As parishioners of Little Flower, we are called to remember our littleness and remember that alone, we can do nothing.

Let us reflect on these images of Homeless Jesus and Christ the Beggar and be inspired to see Jesus in the faces of those in need. "When you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." (Luke 14:13-14)



'Homeless Jesus' ... a sculpture by Timothy Schmalz on the steps of The Basilica of St. Mary in Minneapolis, MN



Annual Bishop's Appeal

Prayerfully consider supporting the Annual Bishop's Appeal

Dear parishioners and friends, on September 13/14, you will be invited to prayerfully consider a donation to this year's Annual Bishop's Appeal. When you make a gift to the Annual Bishop's Appeal, you invest in the ministries and initiatives of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, inviting thousands of Catholics in northeast Indiana to encounter Christ in the church and each other. To learn more or donate online, visit diocesefwsb.org/aba.

Scan the QR Code to donate online. When you arrive at the pledge page, please attribute your gift to **Little Flower South Bend**.



Ways to meet God this week

Knights of Columbus Mum Pre-Sale

Following all Masses
Back of the Church

Small Group Bible Study

Sunday | 10:10am - 11:25am
Parish Center, Room 1

Missionary Families of Christ

Sunday | 1:30pm
Payne Hall

Becoming Catholic

Sunday | 4:00pm
Parish Center, Room 5

Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday | 7:00pm
Parish Center, Rooms 2/3
*Email council17043@indianakofc.org
to join.

Fit for Life

Tues & Thurs | 8:00 - 10:00am
Wellness Center

Young Mom's Book Study

Tuesdays | 7:30pm - 9:00pm
*Email Abby@littleflowerchurch.org
for location

Ablaze Young Adult Bible Study

Wednesdays | 7:00pm - 8:30pm
Parish Center, Room 1

Support Group for Moms of Special Needs Children

Friday, September 5 | 9:00am
Parish Center, Upper Room



'Christ the Beggar' ... a sculpture by Timothy Schmalz on the steps of Santo Spirito Hospital near the Vatican

THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER.

Men's Prayer Group BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

Monday, September 15 | 6:00pm

The Men's Prayer Group is transitioning from learning about the Rosary to *That Man is You* (TMIY). The new series begins Monday, September 15. TMIY is an interactive men's program that combines science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of men fully alive. By honestly addressing the pressures and temptations that men face in modern culture, TMIY works to form men capable of transforming homes and through the family, transforming society.

Questions? Contact Ben Janczewski at wyotechben@gmail.com



Scan the QR Code to register.

Breakfast with a Saint

Bl. Michael McGivney



Saturday, September 13

8:30am – 10:30am

*Come and enjoy Food, Fellowship,
Prayer and Education about our faith!*



Join us for a revamp of the Men's Prayer Breakfast!

We are excited to have families join in on the socialization, prayer, food and education on our Catholic Faith. We will have guest speakers as well as learn about the Saints that we will name our meeting rooms in honor of!

Learn about Iconography & Meet the Artist

**Sunday, September 14 | following 9:00am Mass
Parish Center Gym**

Dive into the rich symbolism & learn about the prayerful process of "writing" an icon. Meet the iconographer, Angelo Martinez, who created and donated our beautiful icon of the Crucifixion for our adoration chapel. Angelo will offer a presentation during coffee and donuts.



FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

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littleflowerchurch.org/childrens-religious-education-program

MARK: The Gospel Through the Eyes of Peter



Imagine Mark sitting at Peter's feet, writing down all that he had to say about the life and teachings of Jesus.

We sometimes call St. Mark's Gospel "the Gospel of Peter" because Mark put into writing the preaching of St. Peter. Mark's Gospel is filled with concrete details of an eyewitness. It tells us, from the point of view of Peter, what it was like to be with Jesus during the years of the Lord's public ministry. In studying this Gospel, we too can become disciples of Jesus through the eyes of Peter.

FRIDAY MORNING SCRIPTURE STUDY

Beginning September 19
10:00 AM ~ 12:00 PM

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~VENERABLE PATRICK PEYTON.

Anniversary Masses

September 14 at 11:00am | St. Matthew Cathedral

Offered annually, these Masses celebrate and honor couples celebrating jubilee anniversaries for couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th or 70th wedding anniversary.

All couples celebrating a jubilee wedding anniversary this year, along with their families, are invited to a Jubilee Anniversary Mass with Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades. A ticketed reception will follow in the school gym. Anniversary couples will receive a commemorative certificate and two free tickets to the reception. Additional reception tickets for family and friends may be purchased for \$10 each. Children age 10 and under may attend the reception at no charge.



**SUPPORT GROUP FOR
MOMS OF CHILDREN
WITH AUTISM**

St. Therese, Little Flower Church
Parish Center, Upper Room

Friday, September 5
9:00-10:30 AM

Questions? Email Christine
cgalfney852@gmail.com

Celebrating the Jubilee Year

There are nine designated Jubilee churches in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend including:

- St. Matthew Cathedral, South Bend
- Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Notre Dame
- St. Anthony of Padua Church, Angola
- St. Pius X Church, Granger
- St. Michael Church, Plymouth
- Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, Warsaw.

The faithful who undertake a "pious pilgrimage" to any of the diocesan Jubilee churches can obtain the Jubilee Indulgence by devoutly participating in:

- Holy Mass
- A celebration of the Word of God
- The Liturgy of the Hours (Office of Readings, Morning Prayer, or Evening Prayer)
- The Way of the Cross
- The Rosary *or*
- A penance service (*which ends with the individual confessions of the penitents*)

The faithful can also obtain the Jubilee Indulgence if, individually or in a group, they devoutly visit any of the Jubilee churches and there spend time in Eucharistic adoration and meditation, concluding with all the following:

- The Our Father
- The Profession of Faith (e.g., Nicene or Apostles' Creed)
- And invocations to Mary, the Mother of God (e.g., the Hail Mary).

**UPCOMING MASS
TO CELEBRATE
THE JUBILEE**

JOIN BISHOP RHOADES AT

BASILICA OF THE SACRED HEART, NOTRE DAME
SEPT. 24 | 5:15 P.M.



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Saint Augustine Men's Group

**First and third Saturdays of each month
8:00am-9:00am | St. Anthony of Padua**

If you struggle with a sexual addiction, you are not alone. You are invited to join other men in a community of support, encouragement, and healing in this fight for freedom.

Questions? Email
staugustinefwsb@gmail.com



Pray the Litany of Humility

We've all heard of the nearly infamous prayer, the Litany of Humility, before. But is there a danger in praying this litany with the wrong intentions? Scan the QR Code to learn about this litany and humility with Fr. Mark-Mary and Ascension Press. In this video, Fr. Mark-Mary shares some ways of discerning and approaching a desire to grow in humility and overcome pride with a lasting sense of being loved by God as you are.



PARISH NEWS

Labor Day Office Closure

Monday, September 1

The parish office is closed, Monday, September 1 for labor day. Regular business hours will resume on Tuesday, September 2.

Special Collection: Catholic University of America

August 30 & 31

The Collection for The Catholic University of America underwrites scholarships to assist financially deserving students in completing their education at CUA in over 50 disciplines.

Knights of Columbus Mums Fundraiser

Help us "grow" good works this fall! Why wait for the leaves to turn? 🍂 Get ahead of the game and the neighbors—secure your gorgeous mums now at a price that'll make you smile: only \$12 for an 8-inch beauty (try finding that price in October)!

Brighten your porch and a neighbor's life—your purchase supports Knights of Columbus charities like Women's Care Center, Gibault Children Services, Special Olympics, and more.

👉 Here's how to "mum and get it": **Pre-order after Mass Aug. 30/31** or order online with the QR code. Pickup: Saturday, Sept. 13, 10:00am–12:00pm Upper Parking Lot

🌸 Be the first on your block to "fall" for these mums. Order now and watch the compliments bloom!



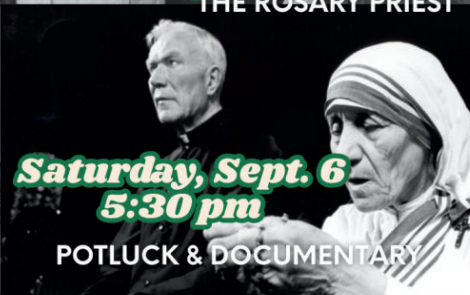
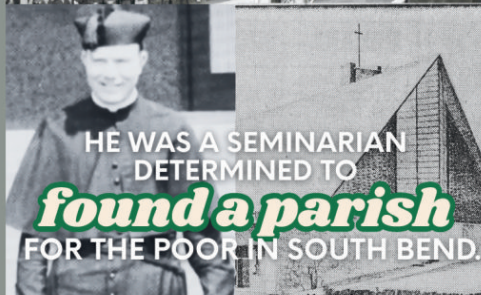
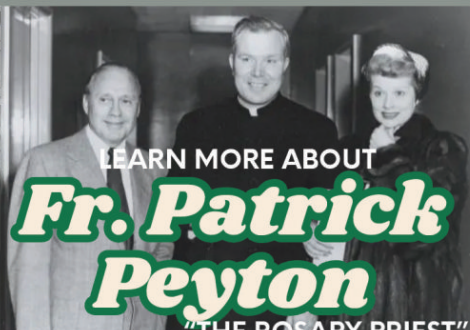
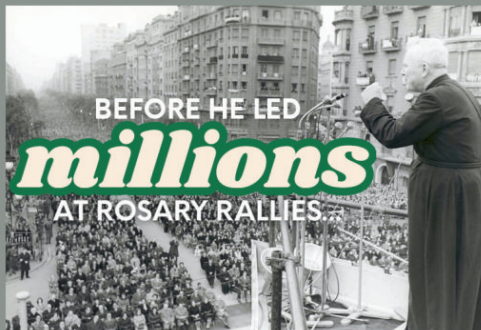
Celebrate Our Lady of Peñafrancia and Fr. Patrick Peyton

Saturday, September 6 | 4:00pm Rosary, Mass, Potluck, and documentary

Celebrate the rosary, Our Lady, and the "Rosary Priest" who co-founded our parish - with a potluck and documentary showing! Our Filipino community will be pulling out all the stops for Our Lady of Peñafrancia; then we'll offer time to get to know Fr. Patrick Peyton, who coincidentally, is widely beloved in the Philippines!

Let us celebrate our Blessed Mother's birthday under her title of Our Lady of Peñafrancia. We will pray the ninth day of the novena and the Holy Rosary beginning at 4:00pm. Reception to follow in Payne Hall. All are welcome!

Scan the QR Code to learn more about this devotion.



A PARISH THAT EXTENDS THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Outreach Ministries

Financial Assistance

Through our Whatsoever You Do Outreach Program we provide financial assistance to help with utilities to our community.

If you are in need of financial assistance, please go to our website:

<https://LittleFlowerChurch.org/outreach>

Food Assistance

Our Parish Food Pantry is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:30pm-3:00pm.

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